

Minutes
Calais Roads Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 16, 2014
at the Calais Town Office
(approved Nov 19, 2014)

Committee members present clock wise from the chair: Stephanie Kaplan (Vice Chair), Barbara Weedon, and Peter Harvey (Secretary)(arrived at 10:15).

Committee members absent: Doug Lilley, and Gary Schultz,

Others: none

This meeting began at 9:00 AM.

- Public Comments
 - none
- Approve minutes of:
 - Aug 28, 2014 approved 3-0 with corrections
- New member recommendations
 - None at this meeting
- Traffic counter recommendations
 - Recommended new placements for recording traffic speeds for one week. List to be forwarded to Toby Talbot, Road Supervisor
 - West County Rd south of Dugar Brook Rd intersection
 - Lightening Ridge Rd west of Doug Lilley's farm house
 - Lightening Ridge Rd at George Rd intersection
 - Lightening Ridge Rd at Louis Franks farm
 - Adamant Rd hill near Trey Martin's driveway
 - Kent Hill Rd flats near the WEC sub-station
- Letter about open meeting law changes from Selectboard
 - This committee has to warn meetings and post agendas as instructed by the Selectboard.
- Other business
 - Stephanie will contact Toby to set up a site visit to the recent road work on:
 - Worcester Rd. to look at the ditching
 - Collar Hill Rd. to look at preserving the topography of the road
- Future meeting agenda items:

- What is the impact of the town road equipment (large snow plows, large grader), or convenience of the road crew, in deviating from the road design and building as prescribed by the Calais Road and Bridge Standards? Is the tail wagging the dog in the face of the Standards?
- Toby's request to change the Calais Road and Bridge Standards requirements to allow more steel guard rails in place of wood guard rails in some locations.

“Where used, guardrails shall be unobtrusive, no larger than necessary and fit with the character of the road. Guardrails shall be made using effective AASHTO approved standards for wooden or box beam rails and posts. (See AASHTO standard 5.4.1.11 Backed Timber Guardrail)” (page 8)

- What are our committee's next tasks?
 - Stephanie will talk with Denise about putting this on the Selectboard's agenda.
- Road Classifications Map
 - Stephanie will take the map to the Selectboard
- Adjourned
 - At 12:00 noon
- Next regular meeting: Tuesday, Oct 7, 2015, 10 am at the Calais Town Hall..

Submitted by Peter Harvey, Secretary